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**RESPONSIBLE AGENCY:** National Nuclear Security Administration (NNSA)

**TITLE:** Final Site-Wide Environmental Assessment (SWEA)  
for Sandia National Laboratories/California (DOE/EA-1422)

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**Abstract:** The NNSA proposes to continue operating Sandia National Laboratories/California (SNL/CA) located in Livermore, California. The NNSA has identified and assessed three alternatives for the operation of SNL/CA: (1) No Action, (2) Planned Utilization and Operations, and (3) Maximum Operations. Under the No Action Alternative, the NNSA would continue the historical mission support activities SNL/CA has conducted at planned operational levels. NNSA and interagency programs and activities at SNL/CA would increase to the highest reasonable activity levels, as set forth in this SWEA, that could be supported by current facilities and their potential expansion and construction of new facilities for future actions specifically identified in the SWEA. Under the Planned Utilization and Operations Alternative, the NNSA would operate SNL/CA at the minimum levels of activity necessary to maintain the capabilities to support the NNSA mission in the near term. Under all of the alternatives, the affected environment is primarily within Livermore area. Analyses indicate little difference in the environmental impacts among alternatives.

**Public Comments:** The Draft SWEA was released to the public for review and comment on November 1, 2002. The comment period ended on November 30, 2000. All comments were considered in preparation of the Final SWEA<sup>1</sup>. The NNSA will use the analysis in this Final SWEA and determine whether to prepare an Environmental Impact Statement or make a Finding of No Significant Impact.

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<sup>1</sup>Changes made to this SWEA since publication of the Draft SWEA are marked with a vertical bar to the right or left of the text.